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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SAKAMOTO, Hikaru et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1745

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Examiner: **M. RUTHKOSKY**

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For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING LEAD-ACID BATTERY AND JIG FOR  
PRODUCING LEAD-ACID BATTERY**

**SECOND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**

**GROUP ART UNIT 1745**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 11, 2004

Sir:

In a second response to the Office Action dated **April 27, 2004**, extended to August 27, 2004 by a 1 one Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** being on page 10 of this paper.

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